

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 8, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. BENJAMIN made the following

REPORT.

[To accompany Bill S. 185.]

*The Committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Anna M. E. Ring, praying that a land warrant may be issued to herself and sisters in lieu of one issued to her father, has had the same under consideration, and asks leave to submit the following report:*

That on the 18th July, 1855, a land warrant for one hundred and sixty acres of land, numbered 3172, was issued to David A. Ring for military services during the war of 1812. That prior to the receipt of said warrant, and while (as the petitioner represents) in a dying condition, the said David A. Ring executed an assignment of his right to said warrant to his four daughters, viz: Anna M. E. Ring, Louisa M. Ring, Cordelia E. Ring, and Sarah J. De Lannoy.

The committee finds that the 4th section of an act entitled "An act granting bounty land to certain officers and soldiers, who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," approved 28th September, 1850, declares all assignments made prior to the issue of a warrant to be null and void; and the assignment of Ring to his daughters having been made prior to the issue of his warrant, the location thereof was lawfully refused by the Commissioner of the General Land Office. This is, however, considered a meritorious case, and the committee has unanimously agreed to report a bill for the relief of the petitioner and her sisters, which is herewith submitted and its passage recommended.

